signing the licence agreement and payment of space segment reservation charges @ 25% of annual space segment rental charges on the date of signing the licence agreement. The spot frequnecy is allotted after following the established procedure of Standing Advisory Committee for Frequency Allocation (SACFA) and INSAT Network Operation and Contral Centre (NOCC).

[Translation]

Banned Medicines

*315. SHRI MANOJ KUMAR SINHA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that some banned medicines including 'Queena Crine' are again being used as contraceptive in major cities of the country;

(b) if so, the number of complaints received by this Government in this regard: and

(c) the details thereof and the action taken by the Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY) : (a) to (c) No banned contraceptive is allowed to be used in the country. The drug Quinacrine is not a baned drug as it was never introduced in the country. The Indian Council for Medical Research had initiated limited trials in 1993 with due approvals which were discontinued in the year 1994 when trials on 8 selected women indicated an unacceptable failure rate for prevention of pregnancy. Recently it was reported in the press that the drug was administered by some doctors/agencies in Calcutta, Delhi and Bangalore. In three cases which were enquired into, it has been reported that the drug is not in use at present. Investigations on the use of Quinacrine are continuing and action as considered necessary would be taken to protect the interests of consumers.

[English]

Peace Treaty with Pakistan

*316. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indo-Pakistan people's forum has urged both the countires to sign a peace treaty to mark the Golden Jubilee of Independence of both the countries;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the dialogue is proposed to be resumed in the matter; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Government are committed to resolving all outstanding issues with Pakistan peacefully, through bilateral discussions as envisaged in the Simla Agreement. The Joint Statement issued in Islamabad on 23rd June, 1997, on the conclusion of the second round of resumed Foreign Secretary level talks, identified the various issues to be disussed between the two countries and established a mechanism under which these discussions would take place. The Joint Statement also prescribed that the next round of talks would be held in Delhi in September, 1997. Government are committed to establishing a relationship of trust, friendship and cooperation wth Pakistan.

Trade with Myanmar

*317. SHRI BIJOY HANDIQUE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Mizoram approached the Union Government for reopening border trade with Myanmar and Bangladesh along river and surface routes;

(b) if so, Union Government's reaction to these proposals;

(c) whether the Government have made an adequate survey to assess the growth potential of trade and tourism for this land-locked State; and

(d) if so, the concrete steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) Yes, Sir. Government have received requests from Government of Mizoram for reopening border trade with Myanmar and Bangladesh through land routes from Champhai and Demagiri respectively.

(b) Government have approached the Government of Myanmar for opening of Border trade through the Champhai-Rih route. The Government of Myanmar, have not agreed to operationalising this route for border trade at present, mainly on the grounds that adequate infrastructural facilities are not available. In case of Bangladesh, the Government of Mizoram had proposed border trade through Demagiri. Government have conveyed to Bangladesh their interest in reopening border trade inter alia from Mizoram and other states in the north-east of the country. During the 5th Indo-Bangladesh Joint Economic Commission held in March 1997, the two sides decided to set up a Group of Experts to make recommendations by the end of 1997 for operationalisation of the arrangements for border trade between the two countries.

(c) and (d) The Government in the Ministry of Commerce have commissioned the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade to conduct a study of the export potential of the north-east region including Mizoram state. The terms of reference for the proposed study include inter-alia : (i) identification of products of the region having export potential; (ii) assessment of the present level of infrastructural and support facilities and their deficiencies; (iii) analysis of the present level of industrialisation and the possibility of strengthening the industrial base with specific focus on export orientation; (iv) feasibility of setting up of Export Promotion Industrial Parks; (v) study of land and water routes to Bangladesh and Myanmar; (vi) bamboo exports to Bangladesh through the riverine route; and (vii) analysis of the present status and steps required to augment border trade from north-east.

A task force set up by the Deptt. of Tourism for development of tourism in the North Eastern region of India has assessed the tourism potential inter alia of Mizoram. In its report submitted in April, 1997, the task force has identified tourist attractions of Mizoram and the infrastucture required for the development of tourism in the State.

CGHS Dispensaries

*318. SHRI ANNASAHIB M.K. PATIL :
KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIYA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of CGHS allopathic, Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani dispensaries functioning in the country separately as on date, State-wise;

(b) the number of CGHS allopathic, Homoeopathic and Ayurvedic dispensaries out of them opened separately during the years 1994, 1995 and 1996 State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have received several requests for opening of more CGHS allopathic, Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Unani dispensaries in various parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY) : (a) and (b) CGHS dispensaries are not sanctioned state-wise but according to norms of concentration of Central Government employees/ pensioners in a city, subject to other provisions. The city-wise information is enclosed as statement.

During 1994, two Allopathic dispensaries were opened in Delhi and one in Jabalpur. During 1995, one Allopathic dispensary was opened in Delhi. During 1996, three Allopathic dispensaries each in Guwahati and Trivandrum were sanctioned which have since been opened. One Unani dispensary in Bangalore was also sanctioned in 1994-95.

(c) and (d) Requests from various parts of the country e.g. Delhi, Cochin, Vijayawada, Chandigarh, Jodhpur, Shillong, Bhopal etc. have been received mainly for opening of more allopathic CGHS dispensaries. The requests for establishment of ISM&H dispensaries have generally been received in places where allopathic dispensary is already functioning.

(e) CGHS facilities are provided keeping in view the need, availability of resources and fulfilment of CGHS norms.

Statement

S.No	Name of City	No. of Dispensaries			
		Allopatihic	Ayurvedic	Homoeopathic	Unani
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Delhi	87	13	13	04
2.	Ahmedabad	05	01	01	-
3.	Allahabad	07	01	01	-
4.	Lucknow	06	01	01	01
5.	Kanpur	09	01	02	-
6.	Meerut	06	01	01	-
7.	Bangalore	10	02	01	01
8.	Bhubaneswar*	01	-	-	-
9.	Mumbai	28	02	04	-
10.	Nagpur	11	02	01	-